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REMARKS

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1. The troops at the Schweinrich (N 54/U 22) training area started departing for their home stations on 9 October 1950. Tanks were shipped back by rail and motor vehicles by road. Materiel loaded on trains in Dranse included: 18 tanks and trucks [redacted] for shipment toward Wittstock on 11 October; 22 tanks and truck [redacted] for shipment toward Wittstock on 12 October; and 16 tanks for shipment toward Neustrelitz on 14 October. 50X1-HUM
2. Since the beginning of October the cooperative bakery in Wittstock baked only two days a week for Camp Schweinrich.
3. On 14 October Soviet artillery practiced firing in the Neulutterow area, firing southward. 50X1-HUM
4. Trucks observed between 14 and 20 October, some loaded with billeting equipment and troops

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* Comment. The report indicates that, until 10 October 1950, the Schweinrich training area was occupied by some units of the 18th Mecz Div which, according to the number of tanks observed, totaled about one regiment. It is therefore evident that these units did not participate in the Third Shock Army fall maneuvers during the first half of October 1950. The units seemed to have cleared Camp Schweinrich by 20 October 1950.

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